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SUBJ: NEW GOE AMBASSADOR TO BOLIVIA (JORGE ORTIZ ESCOBAR)

1. THE GOE HAS RECENTLY ANNOUNCED THE APPOINTMENT OF JORGE ORTIZ ESCOBAR, A CAREER DIPLOMAT, AS AMBASSADOR TO BOLIVIA. HE WAS BORN IN TULCAN, ECUADOR, ON APRIL 7, 1924.

2. ORTIZ STUDIED AT CENTRAL UNIVERSITY IN QUITO AND AT THE UNIVERSITY OF BATON ROUGE, IN LOUISIANA. HE HAS WORKED AS A TEACHER AND NEWSPAPERMAN. ORTIZ WAS ELECTED AS A CONGRESSIONAL DEPUTY IN 1952. IN HIS FOREIGN SERVICE CAREER HE HAS SERVED IN MEXICO, CHILE, PERU, AND THE USA (LOS ANGELES, MIAMI). HE HAS SERVED AS A DELEGATE TO THE UNITED NATIONS.

3. ORTIZ IS WELL CONNECTED IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. HE AND FONMIN ARMANDO PESANTES ARE BOTH MARRIED TO SISTERS OF AMBASSADOR RAFAEL GARCIA VELASCO. GARCIA HAD BEEN EARLIER NAMED AS AMEBASSDOR TO BOLIVIA BUT WAS SUBSEQUENTLY ELECTED A MEMBER OF THE ANDEAN PACT'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
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